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TO RODMAN FOR THE SECRETARY (OTTAWA)

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JUNE 18, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ITEMS

NORTH YEMEN SITUATION: NORTH YEMEN IS REPORTEDLY QUIET, WITH COLONEL HAMDI CONSOLIDATING HIS CONTROL AND DEALING WITH OPPOSITION ELEMENTS IN AN EFFORT TO DEVELOP A CONSENSUS BEHIND HIS NEW LEADERSHIP. THE PROCESS OF RECONCILIATION TOOK A MAJOR STEP FORWARD OVER THE WEEKEND WHEN THE IMPORTANT TRIBAL GROUPS, LARGELY SUBSIDIZED BY THE SAUDIS, MET WITH HAMDI AND "BLESS'D" THE MILITARY TAKEOVER. AT THE OTHER END OF THE SPECTRUM, HAMDI'S COMMAND COUNCIL ALSO APPROVED THE RETURN TO SANAA OF A FORMER PRIME MINISTER, AL-AYNI, WHOSE LEFTIST REPUTATION HAS LONG ANTAGONIZED SAUDI ARABIA. AS HAMDI SORTS OUT HIS NEW POWER STRUCTURE, HE WILL HAVE TO BEAR IN MIND SAUDI INTEREST IN THE FINAL BALANCE WHICH HE STRIKES, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF SAUDI INFLUENCE WITH THE TRIBES, THEIR DEEP DISTRUST OF AL-AYNI AND THE PROSPECT THAT CONTINUED INTERNAL DISCORD COULD TEMPT SOUTH YEMEN TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION. (QUANDT/NIEHUSS)

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ITS ELEVENTH SUMMIT JUNE 16. THE MAJOR SUBJECT WAS DECOLONIZATION OF PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES, AND WHILE WE DO NOT HAVE THE TEXT OF THE RESOLUTIONS YET, OUR EMBASSY IN MOGADISCIO REPORTS THE SUMMITTEERS TOOK THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS:

- NOT TO RECOGNIZE PORTUGAL UNTIL IT RECOGNIZES GUINEA-BISSAU, DECLARES UNEQUIVOCALLY ITS INTENTION TO GIVE INDEPENDENCE TO BOTH MOZAMBIQUE AND ANGOLA, AND AGREES TO NEGOTIATE ONLY WITH THE DAU-RECOGNIZED LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.
- APPROVED PAIGC AND FRELIMO POSITIONS VIS-A-VIS THEIR NEGOTIATIONS WITH PORTUGAL.
- MADE EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE UNIFICATION OF THE THREE MAJOR ANGOLAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

THE EMBASSY ALSO REPORTS FROM DELEGATE SOURCES THAT CRITICISM OF THE U.S. AS THE "FRIEND OF THE ENEMIES OF AFRICA" WAS AT THE LOWEST POINT IN YEARS. THIS REFLECTS RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN BOTH LISBON AND THE MIDDLE EAST. ON THE OTHER HAND, SOME LIBERATION MOVEMENT LEADERS REPORTEDLY HAVE BEEN PRIVATELY EXPRESSING SUSPICIONS OF AN ALLEGED U.S. ROLE BEHIND THE SPINOLA COUP AND AN ALLEGED INTENTION TO BLOCK "REAL" DECOLONIZATION, PARTICULARLY IN ANGOLA.

MAURITANIA'S PRESIDENT SIAD, AS HOST TO THE SUMMIT, WAS NAMED DAU PRESIDENT TO REPLACE GOWON. NEXT YEAR'S SUMMIT WILL TAKE PLACE IN KAMPALA, AMIN-COUNTRY. ETEKI MBOUMOUA, SPECIAL COUNSELOR WITH THE RANK OF MINISTER TO THE PRESIDENT OF CAMEROON, WAS CHOSEN AS THE NEW SECRETARY GENERAL -- FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM -- TO REPLACE NZO EKANGAKI, WHO RESIGNED AFTER SERVING TWO YEARS OF A FOUR-YEAR TERM. WE HAVE SUGGESTED THAT STATE CONSIDER A CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM YOU. (HOKAN)

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